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Serial No.: 09/945,396

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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR

DETECTING ENZYMATIC ACTIVITY USING MOLECULES THAT CHANGE

ELECTROPHORETIC MOBILITY

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts dated October 1, 2001, Applicant hereby encloses the following:

- (1) A copy of the Notice to File Missing Parts;
- (2) Three (3) Declarations and Powers of Attorney signed by the inventor(s);
- Twelve (12) sheets of substitute drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84; (3)
- (4) A check in the amount of \$120 for the surcharge (\$65) and one-month extension fee (\$55).

Applicant hereby requests a one-month extension of time to respond to the Notice to File Missing Parts mailed October 1, 2001, from December 1, 2001 to January 1, 2002. Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge or credit Deposit Account No. 01-1960 for any additional

fee required or overpayment.

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Box Missing Parts, Commissioner for Washington, DC 20231 on Dec. 17, 2001.

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Respectfully/submitted

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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below. however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is unsigned.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(I) of \$65 for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 65.

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Substitute drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 because:
 - drawing sheets do not have the appropriate margin(s) (see 37 CFR 1.84(g)). Each sheet must include a top margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a left side margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a right side margin of at least 1.5 cm. (5/8 inch), and a bottom margin of at least 1.0 cm. (3/8 inch);

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